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## **Excess Stadium Tax Makes Positive Impact on Community**

City council approves several uses for surplus stadium sales tax

**Madison-** During yesterday's meeting, the Green Bay City Council voted on how the city's remaining \$4.2 million in excess sales tax should be allocated. Green Bay received a total return of \$5.4 million and had already marked \$1.2 million for debt payment. Based on the Council's vote, the remainder will be used for economic development, infrastructure improvements, and lead water pipe replacement. Last year, State Representative David Steffen (R-Howard) authored the legislation which returned excess stadium sales tax to Brown County and its municipalities.

"It is incredibly rewarding to see this legislation come full circle and to see how these funds are being used to better our communities. I commend our local leaders for fairly and prudently handling these returns. Assisting with lead water pipe replacement, improving infrastructure, and helping out projects to improve our economy all have a real-life everyday impact on our residents—and that's exactly how this legislation was intended to work," said Rep. Steffen.

The Green Bay City Council intends to make final distribution decisions by November 1, which gives community groups and organizations a period of time to apply for the funds allocated for economic development.

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